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U. S. Consulate General
Havana - Cuba

To the
Rt. Rev. W. R. Whittingham D.D.
Baltimore, Md.
U.S.A.

My Dear Bishop:-

I have refrained thus far this year from troubling you with letters touching our work - but Necessity compels me now to write at least a few words. We have been making progress slowly it is true - but surely - I have been compelled to abandon some of our work outside of Havana because I have had no money to secure the Church

needed our personal assistance.—
I shall however visit Matanzas
and Cardenas in turn & there I will
and hold a number of services
at each place— At present our
Hospital keeps me very busy—
and it is my duty to care for the
sick and the dying first— Yesterday
we had thirty cases of Yellow
Fever— in our Institution— the "Inter-
-viser Nacional"— and there are
many more throughout the city
and in the harbor.— During the
Month of March last— B.p Whipple
and the Lay Bishops of Kansas Nebr.
-aska the Rev. Mr. Watkins of Washing-
-ton had a series of Religious
services— and B.p Whipple
confirmed a class of six for
me— Space does not permit me
to enter into detail— and may be

Enough for you to know that God has blessed us - and has stretched out His hand to strengthen & encourage Souls - Hallelujah again these blessed words "Lo I am with you always Even unto the end of the world" - God Bless Bishop - I have not heard from the Committee - I have received no Money. After waiting seven Months - I asked for a report from P. St. Which our Brethren and they have sent the discouraging reply that there is only $365 - in their hands to our Credit - $250 - of that Amount I secured my self from Brown Brothers & Co - which leaves only $115 - Contributed from all sources - Our Church is in Debt to Me Exactly $150 - I came to my work this year feeling that a heavy burden has been lifted from my shoulders - The Resolutions of the Bishops in Council -

the sympathy & love expressed to me by the Bishops composing the Committee - Gave me every assurance of timely help - but Dare me almost disheartened - Dam doing my best however to raise the Money myself in the United States - through a friend who has taken great interest in what we are endeavoring to do in this land - I have a Committee here but which is doing all it can - but that is not much - for we have infidelity - and disappointments on every side - And our financial trouble - growing out of this war - is very great. — I do not wish to complain - for my sufferings is not to be compared with the sufferings of others who have gone forth in Our Lord's Name - but I am a little heart broken - and I cannot help expressing it - however cowardly and unloving it may seem. May I ask you to write a note to the Revd Members

emphasize this Committee - especially to the Bishop of New York - and urge their attention to our Case. —

I know full well your own feeling about this matter - I shall never forget your look when you first spoke to me of this Land - it prepared me for a struggle - of which I then knew but little - but that struggle has been a Lesson to me - greater and more important than any I ever learned before - because it has taught me to have faith - to have hope - and to love that humanity which our Lord loved and still loves by and what we are able to express. —

Please accept my best

Sincerely & faithfully Yr. Frd. &c.

Wm. K. Kelly.

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P.S. My address is care of the Consul Genl of the U.S. Havana.